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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Dear Sir.

This is in response to the Office Action of July 24, 2003. The period for response has been extended by one (1) month to November 24, 2003 by the enclosed Petition for Extension of Time. Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.